

Ld. North

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Lord North believes that, when he had  
the honour of writing to his Majesty on  
Wednesday, he so expressed himself that  
his Majesty might conceive that he  
intended immediately to set out for  
the country, but he never intended  
to avail himself of his Majesty's  
gracious permission till after Thursday  
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duty to his Majesty this morning.

Lord North was very much concerned yesterday to find Lord Stormont unable from recommending to his Majesty as one of the sixteen Peers of Scotland the Earl of Glencairn. He has been a Solicitor as far back as the last general Election, & has given both since & since his assistance very materially to our friends in promoting their elections, & has had boxes given him before Lord Suffolk's death; Till there was

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a prospect of two vacancies, it really es-  
-coped Ld North's memory to state this  
matter to Ld Stormont, but he wrote  
him from Bumbury upon this point  
& has since received a letter from  
Ld Breadalbane, declining his  
election as one of the sixteen.

It is much prep'd by the Ld Advocate in  
behalf of Ld Glencairn, to whom he  
has communicated at different times  
the assurances of support at this  
election, & he is afraid that the inter-

= rest of Government in Scotland may  
be affected by it, Lord North is, in no other  
light, much concern'd about Lord Ellenborough  
but he thinks it his duty to state what  
he apprehends will affect the <sup>political</sup> interest  
of Government upon the choice of a new  
Parliament, as his Majesty's pleasure  
is to continue that task in his hands  
through much above his ability, & contrary  
to his inclination.

Since Lord North came to Town, he has found Mr.  
Walpole's first letter to him, & incloses it, with a copy of his  
North's answer.

London this Friday